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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Marion Tyler lynched at Scottsburg, Ind., for attempting to kill his wife. —— Chicago is the battle ground in the fight against the Sugar Trust; a cut on one-eighth of a cent in prices is announced. —— Negro man jailed in Raleigh charged with murdering his wife. —— Gen. Guy V. Henry, military governor, reduces the budget for Porto Rico for next year from four million to 1,700,000 pesos. —— The Paris peace commissioners arrived in Washington and presented the treaty to the President; it will not be made public before its delivery to the Senate. —— Eleven million feet of lumber and other property burned at Burlington, Vt.; loss $350,000. —— A contract for 80,000 tons of rails for a Chinese railroad has been awarded the Pennsylvania and Maryland Company. —— Gunboat Wilmington sailed on an exploring expedition on the Orinoco river, Brazil. —— The U. S. attorney general will decide that beer in the hands of retailers on the date the war revenue act went into effect is not subject to the increased tax. —— Gen. Lee is distributing rations to the sick and suffering Cubans in Havana province; preparations are being made for the celebration of the evacuation by the Spanish forces; U. S. troops will parade through the city January first. —— A sword costing $1,000 is to be presented to Gen. Boynton by citizens of Cincinnati. —— The Pottery Trust will take possession of all the plants of the combine early in January. —— Senator Gray, of the Paris peace commission, would not say that he was favorable to the conditions of the treaty.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 24.

Temperature: 8 A.M., 45 deg.; 8 P.M., 49 deg.; maximum, 58 deg.; minimum, 45 deg.; mean, 42 deg.

Rainfall for the day, .0; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 2.32.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, December 24.—North Carolina: Fair, except threatening weather in southeast portions; light northwesterly winds.

Port Almanac---Dec. 25.

Sun Rises	7.09 A. M.
Sun Sets	4.51 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 45 M.
High Water at Southport	5.55 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington	8.25 A. M.

Already eighteen postoffices have been named after Dewey. Appropriate stamp-licking monuments to the Spaniard-licking Dewey.

The Prince of Wales has an income of half a million dollars, but he manages to get away with it and with a good deal more besides.

There are now 25,000 miles of railway in India, twice as much as there was ten years ago, built by the English, who believe in railroads.

In Japan dead people are buried with their heads to the North, for which reason the live Jap objects to sleeping with his head pointed in that direction and posing as a dead person.

A lead trust, which proposes to consolidate all the lead producing and manufacturing concerns of Missouri, is one of the latest schemes. This will be a heavy affair, with Mark Hanna and Jno. D. Rockefeller in it.

A poultry journal is authority for the statement that "buckwheat is a good egg-producer." We are not up in poultry lore but we will risk the opinion that as an egg-producer buckwheat can't hold a candle to the regulation hen.

Here are some singular coincidences. There is a Mary Washington hospital at Fredericksburg, Va. George Washington Smith drew the plan of the building, and George Washington superintended the building, and both were born on Washington's birthday, the 22d of February.

Admiral Dewey is the recipient of a good many presents from admirers, some of the most beautiful of which are from Aguinaldo, who is one of his greatest admirers. Every time the Admiral calls Aguinaldo down Aguinaldo makes him a handsome and unique present, and he is cute enough, no doubt, to make somebody else pay for it.

A Kenosha, Wis., millionaire recently died at the age of 75 years, who for sixteen years had never slept in a bed for the simple reason that he could not sleep in a bed. For the past ten years he has been trying to kill time and keep himself alive by diversions of different kinds in the daytime and by frequenting the theatres and billiard halls at night, where the music and the clicking of the balls lulled him into short naps.

Referring to the reduction of subscription rates by two of our State dailies, the Charlotte *Observer* thinks it was a mistake, and that "it is a good deal easier to reduce a subscription price than it is to raise it." The *Observer* might have added that the paper trust has advanced the price of news paper twenty to twenty-five per cent. during the past two or three months, and that these trusts are like unto the horseleech when they get a good "holt."

A Missouri judge has recently decided that the common law under which the husband became the owner of his wife's property, is played out in that State, from which it may be inferred that marriage is not such a common affair as some people might suppose.

A girl in one of the Maine towns has been asleep for a week. We know men who have been asleep for years and imagine that they are awake.

Dr. Kemp B. Batchelor, a well known North Carolinian, died in Baltimore yesterday morning.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Star Office—Wanted.
D. L. Gore—Rice straw.
N. F. Parker—Furniture.
Taylor's Bazaar—At cost.
W. B. Cooper—Liverpool salt.
C. W. Polvogt Co.—Thank you.
Endowment Rank K. of P.—Notice.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Lost—Sable muff.
For Rent—Suite of rooms.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Rev. A. B. Finch will preach at Brooklyn Baptist Church to-night at 7.30 o'clock. There will be no service at 11 o'clock.

— There will be no services at Bladen Street M. E. Church this morning, but Rev. C. W. Westbrook will preach there to night.

— Hobson sought the "bubble reputation at the cannon's mouth." Now he is seeking something sweeter at the woman's mouth.

— Postmaster Chadbourn did the handsome thing yesterday morning in presenting to each of the postoffice clerks a large Christmas turkey.

— A regular meeting of members of the Endowment Rank K. of P., is called for Tuesday night next at Castle Hall, No. 25 North Front street.

— During the past week fourteen marriage licenses were issued; nine for white couples and five for colored. Two of the latter were issued yesterday.

— Spirits turpentine was quoted yesterday firm at 41½@42 cents, with receipts of 44 casks. The price on the corresponding day last year was 30¾ cents.

— Upon the recommendation of Postmaster W. H. Chadbourn, Mr. Jas. E. Hall has been appointed a mail carrier, to succeed G. T. Dixon, colored, who has resigned.

— The STAR is requested to announce that an "Old Time Christmas Party" will be given by the ladies of St. John's Sunday school, to the children, on Tuesday next.

— The superintendent of the Sunday school of Bladen Street Church earnestly requests all the scholars and teachers to be present at the school this morning, at 9.30 o'clock.

— Mr. W. A. Lineker had the misfortune to have a new $50 overcoat badly burned in the back with a Roman candle. He was walking down Market street and some miscreant shot the candle against his back.

— All the Wilmington mail carriers, both regulars and subs, did a big day's work yesterday, and successfully handled probably the biggest Christmas incoming mail in the history of the Wilmington postoffice.

— To-day, at the Wilmington Postoffice, the carriers' window will be open from 9 to 10 A. M. and 3.30 to 4.30 P. M. Monday will be a holiday and there will be one delivery. The collections of mail from the street boxes will be as usual.

— The alarm of fire at 6.12 P. M. yesterday was occasioned by the burning of a small tenement house on Church street between Sixth and Seventh. It was owned by Mrs. Elizabeth Abbott and occupied by Luther Williams, colored. It is insured for $200 with Messrs. J. H. Boatwright & Son, and was damaged about $25. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Funeral of Mrs. Ortmann.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Caroline Ortmann, who died Friday morning, was conducted yesterday afternoon from her late residence by Rev. A. G. Voigt, D. D., pastor of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church.

Many friends of the family were in attendance.

From the residence the remains were taken to St. Paul's Church, thence to Oakdale cemetery for interment.

St. John's Day.

Tuesday next being St. John's day, it will be observed by St. John's Lodge No. 1, Wilmington Lodge No. 319, and Orient Lodge No. 395, meeting at St. John's Hall at 8 P. M., and installing the elective and appointive officers for the ensuing Masonic year.

CHRISTMAS GAIETY.

This Week To Be Distinguished By Many Elaborate and Delightful Social Functions.

RECEPTIONS AND GERMANS.

The University Dramatic Club Coming—Society Will Attend the Foot Ball Game To-morrow—A Host of Visitors Here for Fun.

Christmas week will be a gay season in social circles of this city. There will be germans, receptions, card parties, entertainments and almost a thousand and one other events to engage the attention and afford pleasure.

There are to be a number of formal receptions by several of Wilmington's most popular young ladies. However the invitations have as yet been issued for only one—that of Miss Kate Maffitt on Tuesday night. She is a popular entertainer and society will attend almost en masse.

The three germans of the week will be in Germania hall on successive nights. The first will be by L'Agile Cotillon Club on Wednesday night, the second by L'Arioso German Club on Thursday night, and the third, impromptu, on Friday night. The last named will be complimentary to members of the University Dramatic Club. Music for all three events will be by the Italian band, and it is expected that they will be the most largely attended dances of the season.

The leading attraction for society to-morrow will be the great foot ball game between the O. A. N. and A. C. L. teams. The players are composed of Wilmington's foremost young men and will attract a large and representative company of spectators.

In the beautiful show windows of the Palace Bakery are eleven handsome boxes of choice candy which Proprietor W. A. Farris will present to the winning team. Of course the dearest young lady friend of each of the players on the winning team will be the recipients of the candy.

Among the young lady visitors in the city who will share the pleasures of the coming week's festivities are Miss Pannell of Reidsville, the guest of Miss Lina Wiggins; Mrs. Rosa Bailey of Winston, the guest of Miss Octavia Boatwright; Miss Eva May Miller, of Winston, the guest of Miss Gertrude M. Bagby; Miss Marie Murchison, of Baltimore, the guest of Mrs. James Sprunt, and Miss Tate, of Morganton, the guest of Miss Moffitt. There are a number of other fair visitors. Those named are among the most recent arrivals.

The girls at home from St. Mary's, Greensboro State Normal, Salem Female College, Greensboro College, and other schools patronized by Wilmington people, are also regarded rather as visitors, and will unite with the guests from other cities in swelling the merry throng, augmenting the beauty and charm of local society.

The Dramatic Club, of the University of North Carolina, will reach this city Friday and will entertain at the Opera House on that night. They will present two delightful farce comedies, "The Little Rebel," and "Evening Dress." They will doubtless attract one of the most fashionable audiences which has assembled in the Opera House this season.

The club comprises eight talented young men, each of them thoroughly up in their parts, and wherever they have been the highest praise has been accorded them. The members are Mr. J. R. Carr, Durham; Mr. E. A. Lockett, Winston; Mr. Graham Woodard, Wilson; Mr. Ike Harris, Chapel Hill; Mr. Marsden Bellamy, Jr., Wilmington; Mr. George Vick, Selma; Mr. W. A. Reynolds, and Mr. C. D. Gruver, Pennsylvania.

These gentlemen will remain in the city from Friday until Monday of the new year, and will doubtless add very much to the life of Wilmington's social circles. They will entertain at Tarboro on Tuesday night of this week, at Wilson on Wednesday, at Goldsboro on Thursday, coming from Goldsboro to this city on Friday.

The impromptu german on Friday night will be complimentary to the members of the Dramatic Club, and will be held in Germania hall, after the Opera House entertainment.

Several other features of entertainment especially for the University visitors are contemplated by their admiring friends here, but the arrangements have not materialized sufficiently for announcement to be made.

Capt. LaMott Moves to Florence.

Mrs. LaMott, wife of Capt. William LaMott, a popular conductor on the W., C. & A. railroad, between this city and Florence, left yesterday afternoon for the latter town, where the captain's family will reside in future. She was accompanied by her daughter. Capt. LaMott's residence has been rented by Mr. B. B. Strouse, the boy evangelist of Salem, Va., who is interested in the Roanoke Chemical Works. He and his family expect to spend some time here.

Appointive Officers.

The following are the appointive officers of St. John's Lodge No. 1, F. and A. Masons, for the ensuing Masonic year, and they, with the elective officers, will be installed in private at St. John's Hall next Tuesday evening (St. John's day) at 8 o'clock: S. D., W. G. Evans; J. D., A. H. Zoeller; Stewards, B. A. Merritt and S. F. Maunder; Tiler, T. H. Johnson.

SPECIAL MUSICAL PROGRAMMES ARRANGED.

Elaborate Service By St. James' Choir this Morning—Features of Interest at Other Churches.

There will be special music at many of Wilmington's churches at the 11 o'clock services to-day.

Mr. Ed. Munson, organist and musical director of the choir of St. James' Episcopal Church, has prepared a musical programme of unusual interest which will be rendered by a choir of 30 voices.

The music is always a highly pleasing feature of St. James' services and no doubt an especially large audience will worship there to-day.

The following is the programme, to-wit:

Processional, No 49, "O Come All Ye Faithful."....Reading
Venite, Chant....Robinson
Glorias { Venite in b flat....Barnett; Jubilate in b flat....Stewart; Jubilate in a....Schnecker
Te deum (Farmers Mass in b flat) ....arranged by Havens
Jubilate in b flat....Stewart
Introit, "How Lovely upon the Mountains"....Coombs
Kyria....Munson
Gloria Tibe, Unison in c....Cruikshank
Hymn No 57, "Sing, O Sing"....Roper
Offertory, "There Were Shepherds" ....Reed
Response to Offertory, "Holy Offerings"....Redhead
Sanctus....
Communion Hymn No. 225....Hodges
Gloria in Excelsis....Old Chant
Recessional No. 51, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"....Mendelssohn

These will also be a special musical programme at St. Paul's Episcopal church. Special features will be "Processional Hymn," *Smith*; "Venite," *Pandel*; "Te Deum," *Lilly*; "Jubilate Deo," *Davis*, and "Behold I Bring You Good Tidings," (offertory), *Eastham*.

At the First Presbyterian Church the choir has arranged a special programme the principal number of which will be Sullivan's exsquisite anthem. "It came upon the midnight clear."

The choir of Grace M. E. Church will render as a voluntary "The Birth of the King," by *Holland*. The offertory will be "There Were Shepherds," by *Parks*. *Canwood's* sweet hymn, "Hark, What Means Those Holy Voices?" will also be a notable feature.

The service at Fifth Street Methodist Church, besides the interest given by Christmas morning worship, will be distinguished as the occasion of the delivery of the initial sermon of the new pastor, Rev. J. H. Hall, who has succeeded Rev. W. L. Cunninggim.

There will be special service at the First Baptist also, and in fact at almost all the churches of the city.

IT WAS PROMPT ACTION.

Quick Work of the Authorities In Isolating a Negro Believed to Have Small Pox.

A ripple of excitement was created in medical circles here yesterday afternoon by a report from Dr. C. P. Wertenbaker, of the Marine Hospital, that he had found a case of small pox. It seems that William Barnett, a negro carpenter, was sent to the Hospital by Lewis Guger, colored, to do a job of carpentering. While there Dr. Wertenbaker noticed that he was badly broken out, and after an examination pronounced it small pox, so reporting it to Dr. McMillan, superintendent of health.

The Board of Health was hurriedly called together with Mayor Waddell, City Engineer McRee and Doctors Russell, McMillan, Wertenbaker and Harper present, and arrangements were made for immediate quarantine to prevent the spread of the disease.

Hart's vineyard, owned by Mr. E. P. Bailey, was entered as a pest house. It is about 3 miles below the city.

Barnett, the negro believed to have the small pox, was sent to the pest house, and Charles Jacobs installed as cook and Tony Swann as nurse. Capt. Bob Green, as chief quarantine inspector, has the matter in hand, and is using all diligence to, as it were, nip any possible germs in the bud.

Those associated with William Barnett in work say that he has had this affection for quite a while, the result of a serious chronic blood disease.

Dr. Wertenbaker is an expert in small pox cases, and the Board of Health is to be commended for their remarkable promptness in taking every step needful to prevent contagion.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Christmas services in St. John's Church to-day at 11 A. M., by the rector, Rev. Dr. Carmichael.

St. James Church: At 11 A. M Christmas service with sermon and the holy communion; 4 P. M., Sunday school; 4.30 P. M., children's Christmas service.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Sixth and Market streets, A. G. Voigt, D. D. pastor: Christmas services to-day in German at 11 A. M., in English at 7:30 P. M. Sunday School at 3:30 P. M.

Services at St. Paul's Church to-day will be as follows: Morning prayer and sermon at 11 A. M.; evening prayer and sermon at 7.30 P. M. Seats free and all are welcome. Special Christmas music.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran Church, Fourth street above Bladen, Rev. G. D. Bernheim pastor: Morning service at 11 o'clock; evening service at 7.30. Sunday school 9.30 A. M. Seats free and every person welcome.

First Baptist Church, Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell pastor. Services to-day: 11 A. M., "Pentecost;" 7:30 P. M., "The Wonders of Salvation," answering the question, "Why 4,000 years between the coming of sin and the coming of the Savior."

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. Charles J. Parker, of Raleigh, was here yesterday,

— A. C. Davis, Esq., of Goldsboro, is in the city on professional business.

— Mr. R. J. Lewis, of Atlanta, is in the city to spend the Christmas holidays.

— Editor Chas. L. Stevens, of the Newbern *Journal*, was registered at The Orton yesterday.

— Miss Emma Morton, daughter of Rev. P. C. Morton, went up to Chadbourn yesterday to visit relatives.

— Mr. Oliver C. Stevens, representing E. B. Redfield & Co., fruit and produce dealers, Philadelphia, is in the city.

— Mr. H. B. Blackwell, oldest son of Rev. C. S. Blackwell, D. D., is home from the University of Virginia to spend the holidays.

— Cadet W. D. Faucett, of the A. & M College, is here to spend the Christmas holidays with W. M. Poisson Esq., on Grace street.

— Miss Mamie Carr, of Southport, who has been in the city, the guest of Mrs. N. F. Parker, left yesterday to spend the holidays with relatives.

— Mr. E. S. Tennent, a former Wilmingtonian, now filling an important position with a cotton mill supply house of Spartanburg, is here to spend Christmas with relatives.

— Mr. Jos. E. Thompson, one of the STAR's bright young men, left yesterday on a brief visit to Robeson county, where he will show 'em how to celebrate Christmas in city style.

— Mr. B. B. Strouse, the lay evangelist, of Salem, Va., will preach at Immanuel Presbyterian church tonight at 7:30 o'clock. Pastor Morton will conduct the services at 11 o'clock.

— Mr. A. W. Belden, a popular former Wilmingtonian, now assistant chief chemist in the office of a leading mining company of Birmingham, Ala., arrived here yesterday morning to spend the holidays.

— Capt. Edward Lilly, representing Alex. Sprunt Son, cotton exporters, at Maxton, and Mr. Walker Meares, who represents the same firm at Pollocksville, are here to spend the Christmas holidays with their families.

— Mr. C. D. Gruver, of the University of North Carolina, is registered at the Orton. He is advance agent for the University Dramatic Club and is here to perfect arrangements for the Club's engagement at the Opera House Friday night.

— Mr. Theodore T. Empie and wife, of Brooklyn, arrived in the city last night and will spend about ten days with relatives. Mr. Empie holds an important position with the New York and New Jersey Telephone Company. He has a host of friends here who gladly welcome him and his accomplished wife, as well, to the city.

FOR FOUR DIFFERENT OFFENCES.

Negro Charged With Wholesale Thieving Last Christmas Sent to Jail.

Jno. Lewis, a colored man for whom warrants have been out nearly a year without execution, and who was a few days ago lodged in jail by Constable Sheehan, was arraigned before Justice McGowan yesterday morning. Lewis was up for four separate and distinct charges. The first two, preferred by Mr. B. J. Kuhlken, who keeps a grocery store on the corner of Sixth and Brunswick streets; another for the theft of about fifteen pounds of meat on December 24th, 1897, and the other cases for larceny of a number of Christmas articles, including a gold watch, a silver watch and ten dollars in money.

Other charges are preferred by Mr. M. C. Rivenbark, clerk for Mr. Kuhlken, for carrying concealed weapons and assault and battery.

Lewis waived examination and in default of bond was sent to jail for trial at the January term of the Criminal Court.

THE MAYOR'S COURT.

Several Unimportant Cases Disposed of Yesterday'y Session of City Court.

No cases of importance were tried by the Mayor at yesterday's session of the City Court. Frank Jones, colored, for an assault, was let off with the cost, as the case was not aggravated. Burt Green, colored, for being disorderly, discharging firearms in the streets and resisting arrest was fined $7 and costs. The scene of the disorder was at Mr. N. Polit's store on Front street, and ended up in his smashing a large plate glass window. The Mayor ordered him to repair the damage done to the window.

William Brown, colored, was arraigned for obstructing the streets with a cart. The case was continued until Monday.

Henry Conkling, for disorderly conduct, was dismissed and he was allowed to go to his home in the country.

Another Negro Dead in the Woods.

Dr. R. J. Price, the new county coroner, was called to Cape Fear township yesterday evening to view the body of an aged negro man who was found in the woods, killed by a gunshot. Details could not be ascertained last night. It is understood that the negro went out alone with his gun and is believed to have shot himself, probably accidentally. Dr. Price carried Geo. H. Howell, Esq., with him and up to a late hour last night had not returned.

TWO CHRISTMAS FIRES EARLY THIS MORNING.

Lamp Exploded in I. H. Weil's Furnishing Store—Damage By Smoke. Another Fire.

About 1 05 o'clock this morning fire was discovered in the store building, corner Front and Princess, occupied by Mr. I. H. Weil as a gentleman's furnishing establishment. The blaze was discovered by Wade Wishart, Esq., of Whiteville. The alarm was sent in from Box 41. There was some delay in the response of the fire department because they had not returned from a response to an alarm at the corner of Seventh and Queen. It was probably fifteen minutes before water was thrown on the fire. However, it was quickly extinguished. Damage to to the building was probably about $25. The stock is badly damaged by smoke. The fact that door nor windows were broken open before the department arrived probably accounts for the tardiness of the fire in spreading. The building is owned by Mr. Geo. R. French.

The insurance on both stock and building is placed with Messrs J. H. Boatwright & Son and Messrs. Stedman & Chadbourn.

The fire is attributed to the explosion of a lamp which was left burning in the rear of the store.

The Fifth and Queen Street Fire.

The fire alarm, the response to which delayed the department in reaching Front street fire, was from boxes 52 and 49 and was rung at 12.39 A. M. A chimney burning out at No. 621 South Fifth street, corner Queen, was the cause. The place is owned by Mr. J. H. Hanby and occupied by Mary A. Buchanan. There was no material damage.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining Uncalled For in the Wilmington Postoffice December 24th, 1898.

WOMEN'S LIST.

Hattie Brown, (col), J Brown, James Borden, Josie Camlin, Mary Castello, M N Chadwick, Maggie Deboatch, Tillie Holzt, Miss Hoagman, N B Herring, Loretta Highsmith, Harriet Hill, Charlotte Handon, Mary E Jackson, Mary E Johnson, Ella Kerr, Alice Loftain, Amy Merrick, Wash Mills, Ellen Nixon, Elizabeth Purie, Lulo Person, Laura Ann Pennell, Sallie Pompey, Annie Rushworth, A J Robinson, Lizzie Rhodes, Mary Russell, Parthenia Robinson, Catherine Simmons, Ida Starling, Deliah Wrison, Fannie Wade, Lizzie Wilson, Mary L Walker.

MEN'S LIST.

Geo W Branch, J P Bowen, James Battel, R W Benson, W B Bradford, W F Bailey, W H Baden, David Cameron, Ethe Casleen, H L Carroll, M F Campbell, W H Carter, C O Cox, Concil Dickson, Clayton Everett, E Everett, W S Fuller, Louis Hollinsworth, K B Hardie, J R Hardie, Laura Haywood, Jno J Howard, J H Hose, Jno E Justice, J M Jessup, R P Jennings, John King, G R Litleton, P W Lawrence, Chas L Marshall, Joe Miller, J L McIntire, Noah McGowan, Jno E Mattocks, Jno C Newton, Buril Pool, Cyrus Pierce, W H Parker, Editor Recorder, J Abner Robertson, C U Thompson, Piercy Whitaker, S L Yopp.

RETURNED FROM DEAD LETTER OFFICE.

Emma Lofton, Anna McCoy.

Persons calling for above letters will please say advertised. If not called for in fifteen days they will be sent to the dead letter office.

WM. H. CHADBOURN, Postmaster.

HOMICIDE IN LENOIR.

Jacob Daugherty Fatally Stabbed at An Entertainment—Young Man Arrested Charged With the Crime.

[*Star Correspondence.*]

KINSTON, N. C., Dec. 24.

At a Christmas entertainment on the night of the 22d inst., at Rose of Sharon Church, six miles from Kinston, an altercation occurred between several young men. It was passed over by the crowd as a trivial matter, but several hours later it was ascertained that a young man, Jacob Daugherty, had been badly cut in the abdomen. When it was discovered he was weak from loss of blood, as the cut had extended very deep and was quite a long one, and no hope was entertained of his recovery. He lingered until yesterday afternoon, when death came.

It is not known who did the cutting, but a young man, Jim Eubanks, has been arrested charged with it. All the parties are white, and of respectable families. As usual, too much Christmas whiskey was the cause of the trouble.

MURDER IN RALEIGH.

Alex. Allen, Colored, Charged with Killing His Wife.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., December 24.—Alex. Allen, colored, this morning reported that when he woke he found his wife dead in bed. An examination by the neighbors showed that she had been choked with a rope and blood had been running from both ears. The coroner summoned a jury and an inquest was begun. When Allen was called, as the first witness, he broke and ran. The coroner and the jury pursued, firing, and Allen received a flesh wound. He was captured and immediately sent to jail without bail.

Appropriate and Deserved Gift.

The employes of the King Grocery Co. last night presented their popular manager, Mr. B. F. King, with a razor and complete shaving outfit as an expression of the high esteem in which they hold him. They also gave him a box of choice cigars which Mr. King promises to share with the STAR staff.

THE RECENT REVOLUTION.

Mr. Chadbourn Talks to a Chicago Reporter About the Recent Upheaval in Wilmington.

The Chicago *Inter-Ocean* of the 21st prints the following interview with Mr. James H. Chadbourn, Jr., late Republican Treasurer of New Hanover county, but who voted the Democratic ticket in the recent election:

James H. Chadbourn, Jr., of Wilmington, N. C., was at the Palmer House yesterday.

Mr. Chadbourn is president of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce and one of the leading business men of the city which was the scene of the recent race troubles. The movement which led to a practical revolution in Wilmington he declares to have been of a social and business rather than a political nature, and he says that the negroes fired the shot that was the prelude of the killing of a number of their race.

"The real beginning of the recent troubles in Wilmington," said he yesterday, "dates back to two years ago, when the newly elected Legislature, controlled by a combination of Republicans and Populists, passed a law changing the charters of the principal cities, including Wilmington. Under the terms of the new charter only five of the ten aldermen were elected by popular vote, while the other five were appointed by the Republican Governor. This action of the Legislature was regarded by the better class of the population as a direct and odious infringement upon the rights of self-government, and as such was deeply resented. Under this arrangement four of our aldermen were negroes, representing practically no property interests. Fuel was added to the fire by the growing tendency of the negroes to assert themselves unduly, and a crisis was reached when the negro paper, the *Record*, published last August an article that was flagrantly offensive to the white people, reflecting, as it did, upon the character of white women. The younger element was held in check at that time only with great difficulty. The business men of the city came to the conclusion that its commercial salvation depended upon the overthrow of the existing order of things, and, accordingly, a strong, and, as it proved, successful fight was made against the dominant elements at the November election.

"On election day every man voted who had any desire to vote, and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the votes were honestly and fairly counted. It should be borne in mind that there was no bloodshed until after the election. After demolition of the *Record* office a party of white men was fired upon by negroes, and bloodshed followed. I saw it stated in the *Inter Ocean* of yesterday that W. E. Henderson, a colored lawyer, who spoke here Sunday, claims to have been driven out by threats. So far as I know there was no reason for Henderson's leaving, as he was a quiet man, of good reputation. I never knew that any threats were made against him.

"The negroes of North Carolina pay only 3½ per cent. of the taxes, and it is inconceivable that the whites, who own practically all the property, and bear the burden of taxation, should submit quietly to be dominated by them. It is contrary to human nature, and is especially opposed to the instincts of the Anglo-Saxon.

"The solution of the race problem is an educational restriction upon the right of suffrage. This fact is now admitted by the most intelligent colored men. The president of the negro state college said as much to me in conversation only a few days ago. Freed from the fear of negro domination, Wilmington, which is already one of the most progressive cities in the South, looks forward to great growth and prosperity."

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C

SUNDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 25.

REPEATING A FAILURE.

The next Congress of the United States will be Republican in both branches, with a Republican President. Already several bounty schemes have been proposed to aid our commerce by stimulating the building of ships. It is not likely that they expect to carry any of those schemes through in the closing session of this Congress, but they undoubtedly do in the next, for the President favors bounties and will sign any bounty bill that may be passed.

The purpose of such legislation is good, and if it accomplished the purpose and there were no other way to accomplish it the people might submit to it without serious complaint, but like the protective tariff which was ostensibly adopted to foster our "infant industries," but is kept up and increased after those industries have grown large enough to "wear boots," as some statesman whose name we have forgotten expressed it, bounties for ships are simply legislative bonuses to the few, taken out of the pockets of the many, for which the many receive no equivalent whatever.

In his message to Congress the President favors bounties, and so does Secretary Gage in his report, where he says that we pay to foreign ship-owners $150,000,000 a year to do our carry ng on the oceans. The Secretary takes the safe side and rather underestimates than overestimates the amount of money thus annually expended, which others who are competent to make estimates say will amount to $200,000,000, and others $300,000,000. But to save an expenditure of $150,000,000 Secretary Gage thinks a sufficient reason why we should do everything possible to build up a merchant marine, and it is, but it is not a reason for bounties, unless it can be fully established that bounties will give us a merchant marine, that we couldn't have it without bounties, and then, that after being built it can be kept up without bounties, which will not be easy to show.

There are in this country men who rank high as far-seeing, broad-viewed statesmen who believe that the way to give us an American merchant marine is to remove the restrictions that hamper American enterprise and permit the American ship master to buy his ships where he can buy them to the best advantage, raise the American flag over them and sail them as American ships, just as the ship masters of most of the European countries do, who are permitted to have built or buy their ships wherever they can do that on better terms than they can in their own countries. This is the reason, although perhaps not the only one, why the merchant marines of all the maritime nations of Europe, and of Japan also, have been increasing while ours has been diminishing until it cuts no figure on the seas.

Retaining these restrictions—perpetuating the out-of-date navigation laws—and adopting the bounty system is substantially telling the American who wishes to invest money in the ocean carrying business that he must have his ships built in American ship-yards, no matter what their prices may be, or go without them, and keep out of the business unless he wishes to engage in it under some other flag as many are now doing.

Lieut. Kelley, U. S. N., seventeen years ago published a paper on "Free Ships and Subsidies," in which he attacks the subsidy folly, some extracts from which we find in the Philadelphia *Ledger*. Speaking of the decadence of our merchant marine he says:

"We are paying annually to foreigners for freight, mails and passengers over $120,000,000, which, to quote Senator Beck, never returns to us, but strengthens and enriches people who are rivals in peace, and may be at any time our rivals in war. By law and by treaty we have given to foreigners the right to carry our goods from, and to bring their products to, our ports in cheap-built foreign ships; the American sailor is almost unknown upon the sea, and the sixty thousand we had in our merchant marine at the beginning of the war (1861) have almost disappeared, by transference to other allegiances, or relegation to shore pursuits. Our carrying trade has diminished from 75 per cent. in 1856 to a discoverable 17 per cent. in 1880, and this, which spells ruin, is euphemized as decadence."

In 1880 our carrying trade which, according to Senator Beck, had diminished from 75 per cent. of the total to 17 per cent., had in 1898, according to Secretary Gage's last report, fallen to 11 per cent., in spite of all the pampering and subsidies or bounties granted in the meantime. Mail subsidies were granted to several lines, notably to the steamers in the Brazilian trade, and to the Trans-Pacific steamers plying between the South Pacific islands and Asiatic ports, and yet instead of increasing those Pacific steamers have decreased in number, the reason assigned being that they cannot compete with the Japanese ship-owners who have the privilege of buying their ships or having them built wherever they can do it to the best advantage. And yet it is proposed, notwithstanding the failure of this experiment, to repeat it on a more general and colossal scale. Speaking of the injustice of the bounty system and its effect on the unsubsidized ships Lieut. Kelley says:

"When Congress, compensates steamship lines for running at a loss, or pays the difference between the cost of running and what the owners consider a fair profit on their investment, the subsidized lines alone are profited, and the unprotected, but restricted, ships succumb to the unequal conflict. * * * For years the ships builders have been protected, and each year fewer ships have been built; subsidies have been tried, but commerce has still languished. * * * Therefore it is that many men believe that a exists, first in the repeal of the Navigation laws; secondly. by the removal of those other restrictions which have helped to destroy the fairest promise of modern days."

There is no authority found in the constitution of the United States for granting bounties, any more than there is for this enormously high protective tariff, to cover both of which that "general welfare" clause is stretched unmercifully, but even if the authority did unquestionably exist, it should not be exercised unless it was clear that the exercise of it would accomplish what was intended and thus promote the "general welfare," but when the experiments has proved to be a failure then there is no excuse or justification for imposing bounties on the many for the benefit of the few, when it is the few only who are benefitted. That is legislative robbery.

In commenting upon Lieut. Kelley's views and these bounty schemes the *Ledger* remarks:

"That which the Government should do, and all it should do, in this matter, is to pay, with the utmost liberality, the ship owhers who carry its mails or render it any other physical service. That is business, and it is justice, but if bounties are to be given to one trade why not to all trades?

"The Government has tried to re-establish our lost shipping trade by granting bounties, and its efforts failed. It has given our ship builders free trade, denied all other industry, for all their imported materials, and at the same time prohibited the importation of alien ships, and yet our goods are carried in foreign vessels. The foreigner is at liberty to buy his ships in the best and cheapest market. The American is prohibited buying his ships in that market; he must buy them in the dearest market, or go without them. If our navigation laws are examined, there will be found in their extraordinary provisions the germs of the malady which has destroyed our shipping trade. They were made for ship builders, for the protection of the ship building trade. What they have done in the way of promoting the building of ships for the European trade is to be seen in the ridiulously diminutive fleet of American built steamships in that traffic. There is a very common opinion, or conviction, that a revision of our antiquated navigation laws would do much more for the restoration of our foeign shipping trade than the proposed depletion of the Federal Treasury by the payment of bounties or subsidies, which are a tax upon the whole for the advantage of a few people. Why should not the experiment be tried of giving American merchants the same conditions of successful enterprise as are enjoyed by the merchants of every other country in the world? If free ships have expanded their commerce, why will they not extend ours?

The *Ledger* is an independent paper which speaks for a commercial constituency and believes in moderate protection to our industries, but it distinguishes between that and legislative plundering for the benefit of favorites under the pretence of building up our industries and promoting the "general welfare." If they want to have a merchant marine that will cost the tax payers of this country nothing, and will serve the purposes of our growing commerce, they will repeal the antiquated navigation laws, remove the restrictions from American enterprise and let it buy its ships where it can buy the cheapest, which means free ships and unhampered commerce, as far as carrying goes.

THESE TWO AGREE.

There is a good deal of kicking by Northern negroes because Southern negroes are not accorded equal political rights and privileges with the white man, while, as a matter of fact, they are not accorded these privileges in the Northern States, where they might be accorded without a tenth part of the embarrassment or serious consequences that would follow it in any Southern State.

While they are thus kicking it is interesting to note how this question is viewed by others, white and black, and how they would solve the race problem, politically speaking. In his recent tour through Georgia and Alabama, Mr. McKinley spoke very plainly on this question without seeming to have it especially in view, but his language was so plain that no one of ordinary intelligence could misunderstand it.

The Secretary of Agriculture, Wilson, is a Republican of the strictest type. He accompanied the President on his Southern tour, and was much interested in the farm and other agricultural features of the Tuskegee school, where he talked to the boys about farming, and the opportunities it presented to them of getting on in the world. In speaking of this to a correspondent of the Washington *Star* he said, after referring to the advantages the South presented for diversified farming:

"I am one man who believes that the Southern man understands the negro better than the men of the North. When I talked to the colored boys down here the last time I advised them to keep out of politics. 'Now, boys,' I said, 'get out your pencils and paper. In one column put down the salaries of every politician holding office in this (your) county. In a parallel column put down the value of the eggs laid in the county. The hens will make more money every day than the politicians. Therefore, raise more chickens, raise your meats, and learn to make your farms pay and produce a livelihood. Keep out of politics. This is really the salvation of the negro. Education and scientific farming will bring him wealth and independence."

There isn't much politics in this, but every one who knows the negroes knows it was good hard sense to talk to him, and that it is one of the practical ways to solve the race problem, as far as politics is concerned.

As illustrative of that we quote the following from the Washington *Post*, showing how a level-headed North Carolina negro, following on the lines suggested by Mr. Wilson, solved it for himself:

"I have a brother down in North Carolina," said Henry Hardy, a well-known and intelligent colored man, who was waiting to see a member of Congress at the Ebbitt, "that has solved the race question, so far as he is individually concerned. He owns two good farms, and has quite a large number of horses, mules and cows. All this property he earned by steady attention to business. He takes no interest in politics. The best white people of the county are his friends, and his note for a considerable sum is as good at the bank as any man's.

"My own observation is that the better class of whites and the respectable portion of black people who mind their own business and have no time to loaf about, get on well together in the South. A certain class of white men, generally the sort we call poor trash, are responsible for all the cruelties that have been inflicted on innocent negroes, and I must admit, also, that there are a good many worthless negroes who commit vile deeds and bring reproach on the whole race."

A WORLD'S DAY.

Every nation has an anniversary of some kind which it celebrates either with military, civic or religious ceremony, sometimes with all three, but there is only one day that the world celebrates, for there is no land under the sun that the Christian has not entered, and where the Christian is there Christmas comes with glad and reverend greeting. Then the Christian family draws closer together than it does any other day in the year and then the heart beats more generously and more warmly than it does any other day in the year.

To the old it comes with the fond recollection of younger and perhaps brighter and happier days.

To the young it comes with glad anticipations of the good things in store and the joy it will bring.

To the poor it comes as a day in which they are more kindly remembered than on any other day of the year.

And to the rich it comes as a day when they can indulge in something more than ordinary benevolence, and help to make the world brighter and more cheery.

The large hearted man grows larger hearted and even the penurious become more liberal, untie their purse-strings and ungrudingly part with some of the hoarded treasure. Doesn't all this make the world better while it makes it brighter, merrier and happier?

Isn't it good that there is at least one day in which the Christian family is drawn more closely together, on which thought and affection fly the world over to find and remember the loved and absent, on which the rich think more kindly of the poor and the poor look more gratefully to the rich?

It is well that there is one such day, and a pity there is not more of them, one day on which the Christian family draws closer together, with a more fraternal feeling, and shows a disposition to add to the joys or lighten the burdens or lessen the sorrows of others.

Let us be thankful for such a day, and while we are thankful, if we are among the favored on whose pathway the genial sunshine falls, let us wish that it may be a glad and happy day to all.

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The merry bells may jingle in the
good old fashioned way;
In merriment we mingle, with the
music holding sway;
The "Gloria in Excelsis" is sounding
everywhere—
But really 'tisn't Christmas if
mother isn't there.

She hangs a newer halo round the
mistletoe on high;
A spirit of bravado drives away the
weary sigh—
For sorrow is no mistress, and life
lets go its fear,
Amid the joys of Chrismas, when
mother, dear, is here.

The fire upon the hearthstone lights
up with ruddier glow;
The laughter is more mirthsome,
bubbling forth in frolic flow,
The Christ child truly comes to us, in
all His heavenly cheer,
If the advent of old Christmas finds
mother, also, here.

—*Donahoe's.*

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— Saying no to God and yes to the devil are the two sides of one act of the mind and heart. It is impossible to measure the consequences of either.

— The true Christian is like the sun which pursues his noiseless track and everywhere leaves the effect of his beams in blessing upon the world around him.—*Luther.*

— Take the self-denial gayly and cheerfully; and let the sunshine of thy gladness fall on dark things and bright alike, like the sunshine of the Almighty.—*James Freeman Clark.*

— The flower is stationary, but its perfume is wafted on every breeze, its gentle ministry is felt far beyond its garden walls. No man liveth unto himself—is this the motive of my life?

— Let us be content to do little, if God sets us at little tasks. It is but pride and self-will which says: "Give me something huge to fight, and I should enjoy that; but why make me sweep the dust?"—*Charles Kingsley*

— Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in thy sight. O Lord my strength and my Redeemer. Get our hearts right with God and the motive of our lives will be right, for as a man thinketh so is he.

— Your preacher may not be the smartest man in conference, nor even the best; but wouldn't it be well to suppress adverse criticism until your life is better than the gospel he preaches? Give his message a fair chance, brother, and you will find more in the man, perhaps, than you have given him credit ior.

TWINKLINGS.

— "Millie, what did Mrs. Upjohn wear at church this morning?" "I didn't notice. I was listening to the sermon,"

— "I'd like to know," muttered the night foreman, as he put half a dozen more printers at work on the "short ads," "where the poet got his idea that "man wants but little here below."—*Chicago Tribune*

— Hardfax—"Hello, Honeydew! Haven't seen you in an age. What are you doing now?" Honeydew—"I'm living in Chicago, trying to make an honest living." Well, old boy, you ought to succeed. You haven't any competition."—*Life.*

— "Beasington is the stingiest man I ever saw. Do you know what he's doing now?" "No; what's his latest scheme for saving money?" "He's rented a room ever a restaurant, so that he can inhale his meals without extra cost."—*Chicago News.*

— No Discrimination: "Mr. Scatterton prides himself on being strictly impartial." "Yes," answered the unamiable man. "I once went hunting with him. He didn't seem to care whether he hit the rabbit, the dog or one of his friends."—*Washington Star.*

— Her Father—"And if I consent to your marriage with my daughter, what do you propose to do for a living?" Mr. Spooner—"I'll demonstrate that two can live as cheaply as one. We won't ask for a cent more than you allow her now."—*Cleveland Leader.*

— "You say," remarked the pedestrian, "that you have vainly wished for work." "Many a time," answering Meandering Mike. "What is your favorite occupation?" "It all depends on where I happen to be. In Oregon it's pickin' bananas and in Florida it's shoveling snow."—*Washington Star.*

CURRENT COMMENT.

——General Shafter is being criticised severely for saying that we have taken Spain's fight against the Cuban and Philippine insurgents off her hands. Let us wait and see whether General Shafter's opinion on this matter is correct before we jump on him for giving it.—*Atlanta Journal, Dem.*

——The Japanese Governmentprofesses to be pleased with the advent of the United States as an Oriental Power. The Japs will watch with the greatest interest the developement of the Yankee policy in the management of the multi-savagery of the Philippine archipelago; they have a similar little task of their own subduing Formosa to the use of a broader civilization.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

——President McKinley asks: "Who will haul down the flag?" As we understand it the United States flag has been raised in Cuba. Mr. McKinley assures us that as soon as the Cubans have established a stable government they will be given control in Cuba. Who will haul down the flag in Cuba, and why is it any more serious to haul down the flag at Manila than at Havana?—*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

Two Pointed Questions Answered.

What is the use of making a better article than your competitor if you can not get a better price for it?

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BROWN VELVET COSTUME FROM HARPER'S BAZAR

THE biscuit-colored cloth gown, illustrated herewith, is designed for the purposes of calling. This is made with a sham lower skirt, the material extending only fifteen inches above the edge. The upper skirt is a smooth circular model, closing at the left side, where the placket is concealed under the brown velvet edge, which, laid under the square cloth tabs shown in the illustration, forms the rich decoration of the costume.

The bodice is smooth-fitting in the back, but, while drawn so as to follow the lines of the figure in the front, is yet free from darts. The revers, which are cut away squarely from the front, are covered with a second set of revers of brown velvet. The turn-over collar expands to the proportions of a sailor-collar in the back, while the stock, chemisette, and cravatte are of pale maise-colored mousseline. The close-fitting sleeves are finished similarly to the front of skirt and front of bodice. A combination of brown shades is used in the hat, which is of sable-brown velvet and soft shaded feathers.

To make this costume it will be necessary to use HARPER'S BAZAR cut paper paiterns. One would require 7 yards of light-weight broadcloth, 1¼ yards of velvet and 4 dozen tiny metal or silk covered buttons.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Raleigh *Post*: The alliance men are not patronizing the shoe factory at Hillsboro, established by the Alliance, so a meeting of the Executive Committee Farmers' State Alliance is called to meet at Hillsboro on the 26th to finally settle whether the factory should continue operations.

— Raleigh *Times-Visitor:* The crook, Miller, was arraignoed before United States Commissioner John Nichols to day on the charge of robbing the postoffice safe in Murfreesboro April 7th last. It was found that Miller and his confederates, who are now serving in the penitetiary for robbing the Sanford postoffice, were seen in Murfreesboro on the day the safe was blown open that night and that they were in the vicinity of the postoffice that afternoon and asked questions about the place. A few days after the robbery Miller was trading stamps for canned goods at various stores along the railroad. The net work of circumstantial evidence was complete. The safe at Murfreesboro was blown open and $117 in money and about worth of stamps were stolen.

— Whiteville *News:* Mr. J. E. Lemieus had the misfortune of being burned out Tuesday night. He is one of the Colonists who lives near Chadbourn. We did not learn the amount of the loss, but it was considerable, including his entire household and kitchen furniture. —— A very distressing accident occurred several miles below the depot last Friday afternoon. Mr. Tom Millican, a young man about 18 years of age, and son of Mr. John Millican. was returning from a hunt and stopping by a fire in the woods, leaning his gun against a log. When he started to leave he picked up the gun by the muzzle and pulled it towards him. when the hammer caught on a limb or vine and discharged the entire loap into his abdomen. He only lived a few minutes afterwards.

— Monroe *Enquirer*: A barn and some stables on Mr. T. E. Williams' plantation, near Rock Rest, were burned last Friday. A small colored boy stuck fire to some broom straw near the buildings and before one could reach them they were too far gone to be saved.——There is a prisoner in jail here who carried a good appetite to prison with him. The prisoner had been complaining of not getting enough to eat and a few days ago Jailer Trull concluded to gtve him a square meal. After eating seven pounds of bread, four pounds of kraut, one and a half pounds of meat and a pint of molasses the fellow called called for more and was given three large biscuits, which he ate as though he was hungry. The strange part about it is that the eater is still able to sit up and take nourishment,

What He Wanted.

Some curious discoveries have been made by a benevolent lady who has spent a good deal of her time in hospitals reading aloud to patients in reference to the literary tastes of her auditors. It seems that most of them prefer newspapers to books, and that a majority of them take more interest in politics than in any other department. One German patient always requested "local news," and when asked what he meant by this term he replied, "Why, murders and suicide and them kind o' things." One morning a poor fellow whose legs had been amputated above the knee said: "If you please, ma'am, I'm tired o' politics. Won't ye give us some bicycle news?"—Chicago Tribune.

Free Pills.

Send your address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action, and are particularly effective in the cure of Constipation and Sick Headache. For Malaria and Liver troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance, and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to the stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c per box. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

Pains in the chest when a person has a cold indicate a tendency toward pneumonia. A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on to the chest over the seat of pain will promptly relieve the pain and prevent the threatened attack of pneumonia. This same treatment will cure a lame back in a few hours. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

Beats the Klondike.

Mr. A. C. Thomas, of Marysville, Tex., has found a more valuable discovery than has yet been made in the Klondike. For years he suffered untold agony from consumption, accompanied by hemorrhages; and was absolutely cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. He declares that gold is of little value in comparison with this marvelous cure; would have it, even if it cost a hundred dollars a bottle. Asthma, Bronchitis and all throat and lung affections are positively cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Trial bottles free at R. R. Bellamy's Drug Store. Regular size 50 cents and $1.00. Guaranteed to cure or price refunded. †

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WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged. The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute	7	@	7¼
Standard	7½	@	7¾
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12	@	12½
Sides ℔ ℔		@	8
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6½	@	6¾
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	5½	@	5¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6	@	6¼
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each		@	1 10
New New York, each		@	1 30
New City, each		@	1 10
BEESWAX ℔ ℔		@	32
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	15	@	18
Northern	20	@	25
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks	46	@	47
Virginia Meal	47	@	50
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	75	@	80
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	10½	@	11¾
Dairy Cream		@	11
State		@	10½
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	12	@	16
Rio	7½	@	10
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4 ℔ yard		@	5½
Yarns ℔ bunch	18	@	30
EGGS—℔ dozen	16	@	17
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl.	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl.	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75	@	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel		@	8 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
" Extra	4 35	@	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade		@	3 00
Choice		@	3 50
Straight	3 75	@	4 00
First Patent	4 50	@	5 00
GLUE—℔ ℔	7½	@	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White		@	50
Car-load, in bgs—White		@	46
Oats, from store	40	@	45
Oats, Rust Proof	40	@	45
Cow Peas	90	@	75
HIDES—℔ ℔—			
Green salted		@	6½
Dry flint		@	10
Dry salt		@	9
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s			
Clover Hay	50	@	75
Rice Straw	40	@	45
Eastern		@	75
Western		@	75
North River		@	75
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	1½	@	2
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	5	@	7
North Carolina	6	@	10½
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	30 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads		@	27
Porto Rico, in barrels		@	28
Sugar House, in hogsheads	13	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	12	@	15
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	1 60	@	1 65
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess	10 50	@	11 00
Rump	10 50	@	11 00
Prime		@	10 50
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	@	32
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	1 10
Liverpool	75	@	80
American	70	@	75
On 125 ℔ Sacks		@	47½
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00	@	6 50
Common	1 60	@	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50	@	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd		5¾	@ 5¾
Standard A			@ 5¼
White Extra C		5	@ 5¼
Extra C, Golden			@ 5
C, Yellow			@ 4¾
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern		3½	@ 4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Prime		@	7 00
Mill, Fair		@	7 00
Common Mill		@	6 50
Inferior to ordinary	4 00	@	4 50
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed		@	3 00
℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50	@	8 50
" Sap	5 00	@	6 00
5x24 Heart	4 50	@	5 00
" Sap	4 00	@	4 50
4x24 Heart	6 00	@	6 50
" Sap	5 00	@	5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔		@	6
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 00	@	1 00
North Carolina	1 00	@	1 00
WOOL, per ℔—Unwashed	16	@	19

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 24.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Market firm at 42¼ cents for machine-made casks and 41½ cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market firm at $1.10 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market firm at $1.30 per barrel for hard, $2.30 for Dip and $2.30 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year. Spirits turpentine dull at 30¾@30½c; rosin firm at $1.15, $1.20; tar firm, $1.05; crude turpentine quiet, $1.40, $1.90, $1.90.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	44
Rosin	247
Tar	295
Crude turpentine	9

Receipts same day last year,—84 casks spirits turpentine, 447 bbls rosin, 146 bbls tar, 7 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 5¾c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	2 15-16	cts.	℔ lb
Good Ordinary	4 5-16	"	"
Low Middling	4 15-16	"	"
Middling	5¾	"	"
Good Middling	5 11-16	"	"

Same day last year middling 5¾c.

Receipts—1,146 bales; same day last year, 2,025.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 45 to 55c per bushel of 28 pounds; extra prime, 60c; fancy, 65c. Virginia—Extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c; Spanish, 70@80c.

CORN—Firm; 42½ to 47½ cts per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 90c@$1.10; upland 65@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 12 to 13c per pound; shoulders, 6 to 7c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.25; six-inch, $2.25 to 3.25; seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $2.50 to 6.50 per M.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, December 24.—Spirits turpentine firm at 39c; no sales. Rosin firm and unchanged; no sales.

SAVANNAH, December 24.—Spirits turpentine firm at 41½c bid; sales 69 casks; receipts 827 casks. Rosin firm; sales 1,277 barrels; receipts 4,729 barrels: quote: A, B, C, D, E $1 00, F $1 05, G $1 15, H $1 30, I $1 40, K $1 55, M $1 65, N $1 75, window glass $2 05, water white $2 30.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 25, 1898.

SCHOONERS.

Cora M, 137 tons, Mitchell, Charleston, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Mabel Darling, 112 tons, Ranger, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Emma C Cottingham, Steelman, 478 tons, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Chas D Hall, 375 tons, Lowe, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Julia Elizabeth, Sweeting, 80 tons, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Sarah E Douglas, Higgs, 90 tons, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

STEAMSHIPS.

Assyrian, 1,841 tons, Frank, Hamburg, A S Heide & Co.

Karoon (Br) Freeman, 1,343 tons, Powers, Gibbs & Co.

BARQUES.

Poseidon, 541 tons, Peterson, A S Heide & Co.

Victor (Nor) 614 tons, Ostrik, A S Heide & Co.

BRIGS.

M C Haskell, 299 tons, Wingfield, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

BARGES.

Carrie L Tyler, 538 tons, Bonneau, Navassa Guano Co.

S. P. McNAIR,

Wholesale Grocer,

North Water Street.

OFFERS FOR SALE
FLOUR.
RIB SIDES.
D. S. PLATES.
PURE LARD.
LARD COMPOUND
STAR LYE.
MENDELSON'S LYE
TOMSON'S LYE.
CRACKERS.
PIC-NIC CHEESE.
SUGAR.
COFFEE.
Rust Proof Oats.
September Mullets.

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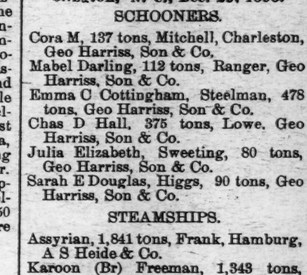

NOTICE.

I have lots of both Mules and Horses and some family Broke Ponies. And one of them would make the boys and girls feel like Santa Clause had come. Now is the time to buy while the trade is dull. After the first of the year they will be worth more money.

F. T. MILLS.

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FOR SALE.

Desirable Tract of Land

Situated on the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad.

Three miles south of Jacksonville, N. C., contains 813 acres, of which 200 are cleared and will grow corn, cotton, peanuts and rice. Strawberries and four varieties of blackberries grow on it spontaneously. Soil also excellent for tobacco and potatoes.

The remaining 613 acres are well timbered with pine, ash, oak, hickory and juniper. Eight to ten thousand juniper poles can be cut from the wooded portion now.

Plantation bounded by navigable water for one and one-half miles. On the banks of the stream are reede upon which one hundred cattle can feed themselves through the winter. TITLE IS CLEAR.

For further information, address THE MORNING STAR, Wilmington N. C.

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TO THE PUBLIC.

I have leased the Barber Shop and fixtures of Mr. Arthur Prempert, No. 11 South Front street, where I will be pleased to serve the old patrons of the shop and many new ones.

JOHN E. COWELL.

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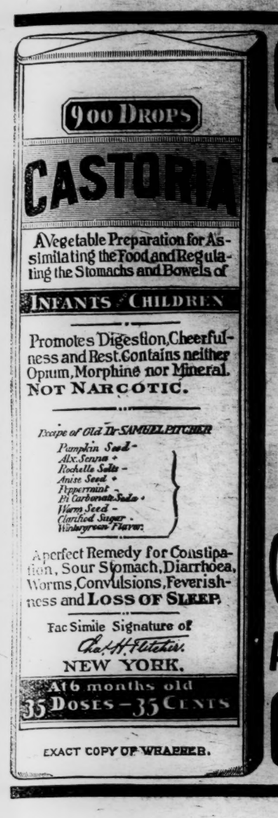
Judicial Sale of Land for Taxes

Whereas, at the September Term, 1898, of the Superior Court of New Hanover county it was among other things, ordered and adjudged by the Court, in a certain cause therein pending wherein the City of Wilmington is plaintiff and W. A. Bagg is defendant, that the plaintiff recover of the defendant the sum of Ninety and 79-100 dollars, with interest on the sum of Sixty and 76-100 dollars and the costs of the action, and the said sum was declared to be a lien on the lands and premises hereinafter described. It was further ordered and adjudged by said Court that unless said sum and costs should be paid by the 21st day of October, A. D. 1898, that the Sheriff of New Hanover county should sell the lands and premises hereinafter described, at public auction. And, whereas, default has been made in the payment of said judgment. Now, therefore, in obedience to said decree, the undersigned, the Sheriff of New Hanover county, will expose for sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the Court House door of New Hanover county, on Monday, the 16th day of January, 1899, at 1 o'clock P. M., on said day, the following described tract, lot, piece, or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the City of Wilmington, N. C., and bounded and described as follows: Beginning in the Eastern line of Sixth street at a point one hundred feet South of the Southeastern intersection of Sixth and Chesnut streets and runs thence Eastwardly and parallel with Chesnut street 110 feet, thence Southwardly and parallel with Sixth street 33 feet, thence Westwardly and parallel with Chesnut street 110 feet to



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A. D. BROWN'S CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

NOW is the time to make your selections, and if you desire the best don't put off until they are gone and then say you can't get anything you want. We have many useful articles suitable for the occasion, and in order to assist you, will suggest something. Now, on our

1st Floor will be found the following goods; Dresden, Wedgewood and Japanese Ware, Cut Glass, Hudnut and Colgate Perfumes, Toilet Soaps, Towels, Napkins, Doylies and Table Linen, Marseilles and Honeycomb Quilts, Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs, Umbrellas, Neckwear, Hosiery, 36 boxes Ladies' Silk Hose in black, white, light blue and tan, the original price was $1.00, $1.25 and $1.50, they will be sold for **50 cents a pair.**

A large and complete line of Gent's Half Hose, Collars and Cuffs, Brushes and Combs, Purses and Chatelain Bags. A lot of Ladies' Kid Gloves, perfect in every respect; original price was $1.00, now sold at 75 cents a pair.

The Largest Line of Dolls in the City.

2nd Floor. Beautiful Rugs, Art Squares, Lace Curtains, Portiers, Blankets and Down Comforts, Down Pillows, Pin Cushions in all shapes and sizes. Underwear and Corsets.

Carpet Department—We are very busy in this department, and from now until after X-mas will be rushing things. So we would advise those who contemplate buying Carpets to do so as soon as possible, so may have your work done promptly. Remember we give nothing but best goods and workmanship.

LACE CURTAIN STRETCHERS.

A. D. BROWN,

(SUCCESSOR TO BROWN & RODDICK.)

29 NORTH FRONT STREET.

Agent for Butterick's Patterns. de 15 tf

Seed Oats

this year are generally mouldy and unsound. We have

North Carolina R. R. P. Oats

tested by ourselves.

Finest Quality and Low Price.

BAGGING AND TIES.
Groceries Generally.

The Worth Company.

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A Turkey Fit for a King,

tender, juicy and rich in flavor, a sucking pig for your Thanksgiving or any other day's dinner you will find in our choice stock of Meats, Poultry, Game and Celery Sausage. We have everything in high grade Meats to tempt the palate of the most fastidious eater, and all are especially choice.

I. B. RHODES.

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For Sale.

One Car-Load Mixed Corn

at Less Than Market Price.

200 Boxes Tobacco.

100 Bags Coffee.

100 Boxes Dried Apples.

and full line of other goods at Bottom Prices

SAMUEL BEAR, Sr.,

oc 9 tf 12 Market street.

What's the Use of Walking

when you can ride just as cheap? Now is the time to buy a bargain in a good horse. I have on hand a few nice Horses that must be sold out at your own figures, as I must make room for a large consignment of Horses and Mules that will arrive about the first of January. All stock guaranteed as represented.

L. W. BATES,

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BIG G CURES in 1 to 5 days. Guaranteed not to stricture. Prevents contagion. THE TEXAS CHEMICAL CO. CINCINNATI, O. U. S. A.

CURE YOURSELF! Use Big G for unnatural discharges, inflammations, irritations or ulcerations of mucous membranes. Painless, and not astringent or poisonous. **Sold by Druggists,** or sent in plain wrapper, by express, prepaid, for $1.00, or 3 bottles, $2.75. Circular sent on request.

A TALKATIVE WIFE.

In a thriving village on the western coast of the Old Bay State is located a jewelry store of high standard, its sole proprietor being Joseph Hodges, a business man on no small scale. His wife Marian is a faithful life partner and does all she can to make his home one of peace and comfort.

"What's the matter, Joseph?" she asked, having removed her coat and bonnet and taken a seat by the fire. They had just returned from an evening party. "What's the matter?" she repeated, drawing nearer the grate. "You have been so sober and torpid all the way home."

"I'll tell you, Marian," he replied, "but don't be offended at what I'm about to say. Were I to recite a volume of small talk I couldn't tell you how you have wounded my feelings tonight."

"Me—wounded your feelings?" she uttered, looking at her husband in surprise. "What do you mean?"

"Don't you remember your remark when I was discussing bicycles with Mr. Daniels?"

"No, I'm sure I don't. What did I say?"

"Well, when I said my wheel cost $90, you interrupted me and said only $85."

"Was that so terrible, I'd like to know?" his wife asked, not in the best humor, for, like many others, she didn't like to discuss her faults.

"It was nothing terrible," returned Joseph, "but very annoying to me. When I said my wheel cost $90, I meant it, for that was its price, and your remark was uncalled for. The moment you spoke a smile passed around the company, and I felt as though they regarded me a common boaster.

"Then, again, during the evening you corrected me when there was no occasion to. It was when I was telling Mrs. Daniels about my horse running away. I said he ran nearly a mile before I could stop him, but you instantly assured the company that it wasn't over half a mile."

"Indeed I cannot see anything so bad about it, anyway," she answered. "You are forever accusing me of my faults."

"Now, Marian, dear," he said, drawing his chair close to her and fondly caressing her golden head, "will you promise to never again correct me in company and wound my feelings as you have tonight?"

Mrs. Hodges made no decided promise, but she resolved to do the best she could, and here the matter rested for the present.

One night two weeks later Mr. Hodges gave a party at his own house. After supper the company gathered around the fire to discuss the topics of the day.

The American-Spanish war had just ended, and, owing to its duration, the country was in a deplorable condition and business depression was great.

"Hodges," said one of the visitors, a noted silk dealer named Edmunds, "how does Thomas get along now?"

"Oh, fine!" returned Hodges. "He is coining money now."

This Thomas was Mrs. Hodges' brother and one whom she loved dearly.

"Glad of that," said Edmunds. "I feared he would have trouble getting paid for those goods he sent out west."

"No, there's no fear of Jim Thomas losing money," returned Hodges.

"Why, Joseph," interrupted his wife, "don't you remember he told us the other night"—here Hodges cast a quick glance at his wife, but she would not notice it, for she must correct her husband's mistake—"he said he feared he wouldn't get his pay for the goods sent to Thurston & Co., and, oh, dear, I hope he won't lose all that, for it would ruin him!"

"Oh, Marian, you don't understand this matter," said her husband. "Jim stands all right with the western firm."

"Well, I guess I know," quickly retorted his wife, "for I heard him tell about it, and if I was Jim I'd have no more to do with such people."

Joseph Hodges could say no more. His face showed his feelings as he cast meaning glances toward his wife.

About 10 o'clock the following evening as Mr. and Mrs. Hodges were thinking of retiring the door opened and Jim Thomas entered.

"For heaven's sake, Jim, what's the matter?" cried Mrs. Hodges, perceiving his deathlike countenance.

"I am ruined," he said; "yes, a ruined man."

"Is it that western firm?" asked Marian.

"No," he said sadly, "but the people here have come down on me."

"Do you mean all is lost, Jim," returned Joseph.

"Yes, everything," he replied heartbrokenly.

"Somehow Edmunds has discovered that I feared the western firm, and, owing him a large sum, he has demanded it immediately. Just another month and all would be safe, but it's too late now. He has placed an officer over my goods."

Marian sat pale and trembling. She plainly saw what she had done, but, alas! too late to recall those few hasty words. Looking up into her brother's face, she uttered in a feeble voice: "Oh, Jim, I am the cause of all this, but don't blame me now! It is the result of my foolish habit of correcting my husband before others."

Mrs. Hodges slept little that night and arose next morning with an aching heart and head. Her husband clasped her to his bosom and forgave her, as also did her brother.

This eased her somewhat, but she saw her brother drop from his high position all through her fault.

After a time Thurston & Co. paid their note, and Thomas was able to cancel his debts. He went into partnership with Joseph Hodges, and both carried on a profitable business.

But Marian never forgot her terrible lesson. Never after this did she interrupt her husband in company with needless corrections.—Margaret Joyce in Boston Post.

A New Version.

A friend of mine is so fortunate as to be the father of a little golden locked girl of 3 summers. Like every other small tot, she has been taught to say the childish prayer, "Now I lay me down to sleep," and the other evening some friend of the family amused himself by teaching her to lisp in her baby accents the couplet:

"Oh, heavens!" she cried, in accents wild.
"If I must perish, save my child!"

One night after the little one was all ready for bed she knelt at her mother's knee to say her prayers. She started in all right:

"Now I lay me down to sleep.
I pray the Lord my soul to keep."

And then she came to a dead stop.

"Go on," said her mother.

"I can't remember," said the little girl.

"If I"— prompted the mother.

"Oh, yes, I 'member now," said the little girl—

"If I should perish, save my child!"

The effect of this remarkable sentiment on the mother, who did not know of her offspring's accomplishment, may be imagined.—Buffalo News.

Free Shows in Paris.

The theaters of Paris have popular representations on certain days, when the seats cost only a quarter or half the usual price. There are also days like the national holiday (July 10) when most of the theaters give gratuitous spectacles. These occasions are characterized only by the best pieces, and actors dispute among themselves for the advantage of playing before this special public. No other audience is more grateful or more impressionable. They rarely have the pleasure of being present at the play. They are not blases, nor are they familiar with the wings. Having gained their places by long waiting at the door, they occupy them as conquests; they listen in silence, applaud with enthusiasm, weep all together, the prey of simple and contagious emotion.—Outlook.

The Flow of Blood.

Professor Mosso, the Italian physiologist, constructed a couch so arranged that it could be accurately balanced in the middle when the slightest change of weight should make either end incline. A man was laid upon it, balanced in a horizontal position. As he went to sleep his head rose and his feet sank. As he awoke the opposite occurred, proving that the blood left the head in the one condition and returned to it in the other.

In Sweden and Norway a legal marriage is not allowed to be solemnized till both parties produce certificates attesting that they bear genuine vaccination marks.

PHOBIÆ OF ALL SORTS.

The Word Builder Is Hard at Work Inventing Names.

In a recent work of M. Gelineau on "Unhealthy Fear, or Phobias," the author gives a complete list of these morbid mental conditions. They are aichmophobia, or fear of sharp points, as of needles or pins; agoraphobia, or fear of open spaces, with a subvariety; thalassophobia, or dread of the ocean; astrophobia, or fear of the stars and celestial space; claustrophobia, or fear of inclosed spaces; mysophobia, or fear of filth; hæmatophobia, dread of blood; necrophobia, or horror of dead bodies; thanatophobia, or dread of death; anthropophobia, or fear of crowds; monophobia, or fear of being left in solitude; hecillophobia, or fear of microbes; siderodromophobia, or dread of railways; pathophobia, or fear of disease, with many subdivisions, of which the most important and most frequent are anginophobia, fear of angina pectoris; ataxaphobia, syphilophobia, lyssophobia, or fear of rabbies; spermatophobia and zoophobia, or fear of animals, which in its turn has subdivisions of cats, dogs, horses, mice, etc., ad totum catalogum animallium.

Further, we find in the same list kleptophobia, fear of becoming a kleptomaniac; pyrophobia, fear of matches; stasophobia, dread of standing upright; acrophobia, or dread of drafts of air; aerophobia, fear of high places; toxicophobia, a fear of poisons; demonophobia, a dread of the devil (this is rather rare).

There are also a great number of phobiæ peculiar to certain professional persons, as physicians, artists, merchants, which have yet to be Hellenized and classified. The culminating fear, however, the quintessence of dread, is the fear of having a fear, the dread of a dread, or phobophobia. The study of these phobiæ opens up a large subject, and the long names will be hailed with delight by some unscrupulous members of our profession. In calming (or humbugging) hysterical patients some of them would be invaluable, for that useful and elastic term "neurasthenia" is getting a bit played out among the laity. The hypochondriac old lady who tells her sympathetic medical attendant that even to think of "traveling by a horrid railway train gets her all of a-tremble" will be greatly calmed and edified when Dr. Wosky gravely replies that such a statement does not surprise him, as she is suffering from that curious and interesting complaint called siderodromophobia. —Medical Times and Hospital Gazette.

An English Money King.

One of England's money kings, a man who has made an immense fortune out of the manufacture of a beef extract, has kindly revealed to the anxious world the way to become a millionaire. "There's nothing very wonderful about it," he begins, and then makes the curiously familiar remark that "it's not a matter of luck, but of extremely hard work." This dear old platitude having thus been trotted out once more, the millionaire lapses into autobiography and says things which, if not particularly instructive, do throw interesting side lights upon the class of which he is the type. For instance: "My income since my business was well established has never been less than £20,000 a year. But then I put in 16 hours a day, and I never tried to drink, smoke and work at the same time. It can't be done. Then I always made a point of going to bed at 10 o'clock—quite late enough if you want to get up fresh and eager for business in the morning. I always like to be up early, and get a little bit in front of every one else. That's the whole secret." This tries one's patience hard, particularly if fate has put him at work which necessitates late hours. What follows, however, is not so bad, from the squalid, money is the end of all point of view. "I always went in for big things," says the multimillionaire. "Half way up the ladder there are too many competitors. If you go to the top, you pretty well have the field to yourself. There are plenty of men ready to deal in thousands, but they get frightened when you talk of half millions. The average city man of today is an easy going sort of chap. Making money is more a matter of will and self sacrifice than of luck or of brains." —New York Times.

Presence of Mind.

She—Do you ever read poetry?

He (wishing to impress her)—Oh, yes. I am quite fond of poetry.

She—I'm so glad! I've got a poem here that I wrote when I was at school. I'd like to have your opinion of it.

He—Hist, hist! I smell smoke! I believe the house is afire.

(During the excitement he escapes).—Cleveland Leader.

The Ashantees hold that drunkenness forms no excuse for crime, but, by way of preventing as far as possible any untoward results happening through intoxication, any one who feels that way disposed is under an obligation to streak his forehead with dashes of red paint. This danger signal warns quiet going people to keep clear of the decorated one.

CATARRH

With the following Symptoms.

Enlargement of the soft bones of the nose, thickening and ulceration of the lining membrane, with its constant discharge of unhealthy mucus and pus; breath tainted, hawking, expectorating, nosebleeding, headache, partial loss of hearing, noises in the head, deafness and impaired vision,

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Catarrh is due to an impure condition of the blood, and is one of the numerous offsprings of Blood Poison. It may have come from a long way back in the family history, but the general opinion among medical men is that Catarrh is the offshoot of Poisoned Blood, producing bad breath and the above-named symptoms. The fact is admitted by all that it is only curable by constitutional treatment. Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.) has scored some brilliant victories in the cure of this loathsome malady, and why? Because B. B. B. when taken as directed, mixes with the poisons in the blood which produce Catarrh, so as to cause the poison to be expelled from the blood through the sweat glands and excretory organs. R. R. Saulter, Athens, Georgia, wrote us not long ago that he was surprised to observe how agreeable his breath had become since using only three bottles of B. B. B. He was also able to hear better. Mrs. Lula Banks, of Alabama, wrote us that a friend of hers since using six bottles of B. B. B. that the mucus discharges which she had through the mouth and nose had stopped and that she was able to breathe freely and talk without offending any one with her bad breath. A remarkable case is that of Mrs. Elizabeth Knott of Atlanta, which we print in full

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RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans	$639,263 50	Capital	$125,000 00
Overdrafts secured by collateral	10,480 58	Surplus	70,000 00
Overdrafts unsecured	377 33	Undivided profits	19,564 01
U. S. Bonds (at par)	95,600 00	Circulation	40,950 00
Banking House and Fixtures	10,000 00	Deposits, U. S. Treasurer	$ 50,000 00
Due from app'd reserve agts	$156,143 52	" from banks	190,307 20
Due from other Banks	$165,220 57	" Individuals	666,563 38–906,769 58
Cash on hand	65,178 27–386,542 16		
Total	$1,162,388 57	Total	$1,162,388 57

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT:

	Dec. 1, '97.	Dec. 1, '98.
Total Deposits	$678,000	$906,700
Surplus and Net Profits	76,100	89,500

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Train 41—Leaves Portsmouth 9:30 A. M., leaves Weldon 11:50 A. M., Raleigh 3:40 P. M., Sanford 5:06 P. M., Hamlet 6:56 P. M., Athens 8:43 A. M., and Atlanta 5:30 A. M.

Train 402—Leaves Washington 4:40 P. M., Richmond 8:56 P. M., Portsmouth 8:45 P. M., leaves Weldon 11:08 P. M., Raleigh 3:16 A. M., Sanford 3:33 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Rockingham 5:33 A. M., Wadesboro 5:53 A. M., Monroe 6:48 A. M., Charlotte 7:50 A. M., Lincolnton 10:35 A. M., Shelby 11:07 A. M., Rutherfordton 12:30 noon, Athens 1:13 P. M., Atlanta 2:50 P. M.

Train 38—Leaves Atlanta 7:50 P. M., Athens 11:19 P. M., Monroe 6:05 A. M. Leaves Charlotte 5:10 A. M., Monroe 6:30 A. M., Wadesboro 7:01 A. M., Hamlet 8:00 A. M., Raleigh 11:35 A. M., Weldon 2:45 P. M.; arrive Portsmouth 5:00 P. M.

Train 38—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9:09 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12:05 noon.

Train 402—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 M. Leaves Athens 3:18 P. M., Monroe 9:40 P. M. Leaves Rutherfordton 4:35 P. M. Arrives Shelby 5:55 P. M. Lincolnton 6:50 P. M., Charlotte 8:28 P. M., Monroe 9:40 P. M., Wadesboro 10:31 P. M., Rockingham 11:15 P. M., Hamlet 11:15 P. M. Sanford 1:09 A. M., Raleigh 2:16 A. M., Weldon 4:55 A. M., Portsmouth 7:25 A. M., Richmond 8:30 A. M., Washington 12:31 noon.

Train 18—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M. Arrives Gibson 8:10 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 6:50 A. M. Arrives Hamlet 7:40 A. M.

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NORTH BOUND.	No. 2 DAILY.
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Arrive Fayetteville	12 00 M.
Leave Fayetteville	12 20 P. M.
Leave Fayetteville Junction	12 38 "
Leave Sanford	1 50 "
Leave Climax	3 44 "
Arrive Greensboro	4 15 "
Leave Greensboro	4 25 "
Leave Stokesdale	5 12 "
Leave Walnut Cove	5 41 "
Leave Rural Hall	6 13 "
Arrive Mt. Airy	7 25 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 1 DAILY.
Leave Mt. Airy	8 45 A. M.
Leave Rural Hall	10 09 "
Leave Walnut Cove	10 36 "
Leave Stokesdale	11 07 "
Arrive Greensboro	11 55 "
Leave Greensboro	12 13 P. M.
Leave Climax	12 42 "
Leave Sanford	2 30 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction	3 39 "
Arrive Fayetteville	3 52 "
Leave Fayetteville	4 02 "
Arrive Wilmington	7 06 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 4 DAILY.
Leave Bennettsville	8 00 A. M.
Arrive Maxton	9 03 "
Leave Maxton	9 07 "
Leave Red Springs	9 35 "
Leave Hope Mills	10 20 "
Arrive Fayetteville	10 40 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 3. DAILY.
Leave Fayetteville	4 33 P. M.
Leave Hope Mills	4 52 "
Leave Red Springs	5 35 "
Arrive Maxton	6 09 "
Leave Maxton	6 13 "
Arrive Bennettsville	7 15 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 16. Mixed Daily Ex. Sunday.
Leave Ramseur	6 40 A. M.
Leave Climax	8 30 "
Arrive Greensboro	9 17 "
Leave Greensboro	9 35 "
Leave Stokesdale	11 07 "
Arrive Madison	11 55 "

SOUTH BOMND.	No. 15. Mixed Daily Ex. Sunday.
Leave Madison	12 30 P. M.
Leave Stokesdale	1 15 "
Arrive Greensboro	2 30 "
Leave Greensboro	3 00 "
Leave Climax	3 50 "
Arrive Ramseur	5 30 "

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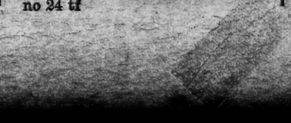

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DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND.

DAILY 9.45 A. M. — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.19 A. M., Warsaw 11.34 A. M., Goldsboro 12.30 A. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 5.31 P. M., Richmond 7.20 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.00 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 7.15 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.49 P. M., Warsaw 9.03 P. M., Goldsboro 10.00 P. M., Wilson 10.48 P. M., †Tarboro 6.45 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.35 P. M. Weldon 12.50 A. M., †Norfolk 10.05 A. M., Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.33 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.33 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M., New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.15 P. M., Newbern 8.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M., Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M., Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.19 A. M., Augusta 7.5° A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.45 P. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York *9.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.00 P. M., Wilson 2.35 P. M., Goldsboro 3.16 P. M., Warsaw 4.07 P. M., Magnolia 4.30 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 9.30 A. M. — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 A. M., Philadelphia 12.09 P. M., Baltimore 2.25 P. M., Washington 5.46 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 8.12 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 9.43 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.22 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.53 A. M., Magnolia 8.05 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.30 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 P. M. — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.00 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.35 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6.50 A. M. Sumter 8.15 A. M. Florence 10.00 A. M., Marion 10.40 A. M., Chadbourn 11.44 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 25.

AFFAIRS IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Business Suspended in Many Towns in Southern Provinces—General Otis Given a Free Hand in Iloilo.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, Dec. 24.—The steamer Union, which returned here from Iloilo with native and Spanish soldiers and was refused a landing at this place, has been detained by the American officials.

Private advices from the southern provinces say that business is suspended in all the leading towns; that supplies are scarce, and that foreigners are only permitted to travel when special permits have been issued to them.

At Malolos, the headquarters of the so-called Philippine government, near here, the native soldiers are levying on the villagers for food supplies, the people are half starved and universal dissatisfaction prevails.

WASHINGTON, December 24.—The administration has determined to confide entirely to the judgment and tact of General Otis, in command of the United States forces in the Philippines, the question whether our troops shall be dispatched to Iloilo, where recent Spanish reports have stated that a sanguinary conflict is in progress between the insurgents and the remaining Spanish troops. Some days ago Gen. Otis asked the War Department if any precise instructions were to be given to him in dealing with the situation at Iloilo. The reply was sent to General Otis several days ago, and it will be for him to decide whether a United States force will go to Iloilo and how many men will constitute the force.

LAFAYETTE MEMORIAL.

Daughters of the American Revolution Invited to Co-operate in Raising Funds for the Monument.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 24.—The LaFayette Memorial Commission has assured the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution that it will receive full and official recognition in the work of securing sufficient money to make the proposed monument to LaFayette a worthy expression of the nation's gratitude and that one of the four tablets on the monument will be reserved for the society to be appropriately inscribed.

The National Board of Management, therefore, cordially recommend that each member of the society show her appreciation of this honor, interesting all persons in her locality to contribute according to their means to this enterprise. It is also asked that the Society of the Children of the American Revolution, through its president, co-operate in the undertaking.

All contributions should be sent to Mrs. Robert S. Hatcher, chairman of the Franco American Memorial Committee, room 52, No. 902 F street, Washington, D. C.

The Society also decided to issue an appeal for $15,000, to be added to a fund already in existence and created for the purpose of presenting to France during the Paris Exposition a bronze equestrian statue of George Washington.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Maj. Gen. Bates Ordered to Cienfuegos and Brig. Gen. Sanger Assigned to Matanzas, Cuba.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Maj. Gen. John C. Bates, who is now in this city, has been ordered to assume command of the new military department at Cienfuegos, Cuba, January first, when the United States will take formal possession of the island. Gen. Bates has recently been in command of the First division of the First Army Corps, with headquarters at Macon.

Brigadier General Joseph Sanger, of the inspector general's department, has been temporarily assigned to the command of the military department of Matanzas, Cuba. These two assignments complete the detail of officers to command the various military departments in Cuba, under supreme command of Major General Brooke, who is now on his way to Havana to superintend the steps attending the formal surrender of the territory to the United States forces on January 1st.

MOVEMENTS OF WARSHIPS.

Gunboat Wilmington Sails for Brazil. Two of Dewey's Captures Arrive at Hong Kong to be Repaired.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 24.—The gunboat Wilmington sailed to-day from Norfolk. She will touch first at San Juan de Porto Rico and then proceed to the north coast of Brazil, where she will enter the Orinoco river and ascend that stream some distance. This will be the first time in many years that an American war vessel has floated in the Orinoco.

The Isla de Luzon and the Isla de Cuba, two of the vessels sunk by Dewey at Cavite and subsequently raised by Naval Constructor Capps, have safely made the voyage from Manila to Hong Kong under their own steam. They are to be docked and thoroughly repaired at Hong Kong, and because of their peculiar fitness for the service will be kept among the Philippine islands for some time to come.

The Cincinnati arrived to-day at Havana.

BUBONIC PLAGUE.

The Disease on Board a British Steamer at Plymouth, Eng., From India.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PLYMOUTH, December 24.—On the arrival here this evening of the British steamer Golconda, from Calcutta, November 19th, via Mediterranean ports, for London, it was reported that there was a case of bubonic plague on board, the patient being one of the cabin passengers, an officer in the India Company's service, who was coming home on leave.

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PEACE TREATY WITH SPAIN.

Arrival in Washington of the American Commissioners From Paris.

A MOMENTOUS DOCUMENT.

Delivered to President McKinley at the White House by Judge Day—Informal Proceedings—Treaty Not Given to the Public.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 24.—President McKinley received from the American Peace Commissioners late this afternoon the treaty of peace between the United States and Spain.

In presenting this momentous document, Judge Day, as chairman of the commission, said it represented the earnest efforts of the American representative at Paris and that it was submitted with the hope that it would redound to the peace, credit, and glory of the American nation. Accepting the treaty from the hands of Judge Day, the President responded with heartfelt thanks and congratulated the commission as a body and the members individually. He spoke of all that had been accomplished and of the happy method by which difficult questions had been adjusted. The formal ceremony of

Delivering the Treaty

to the President occurred in the Blue Room and lasted half an hour. The commissioners arrived here from New York on a special train at 4.20 A. M. A great crowd of holiday excursionists filled the railroad station and in order to avoid the jam, the special was run on a side-track where the officials had an opportunity to leave the train before it entered the depot. Chief Clerk Michaels, of the State Department, was on hand as the representative of Secretary Hay, and quite a number of officials from the State, War and Navy Departments, as well as friends and relatives, were there to greet them. As they stepped from the train there was general handshaking and congratulations and then the party was escorted to carriages and driven directly to the White House. It was noticed that as Judge Day and his associates came from the train they were unencumbered with all sorts of luggage. Hon. John Moore, late Assistant Secretary of State, and legal adviser of the commission, carried with him a huge yellow leather case. This case never left Mr. Moore's hand, for in it was the Peace Treaty, which the commission was bearing to the President. Four of the commissioners—Day, Reid, Davis and Frye—took the first carriage to the White House, and soon thereafter Senator Gray, the remaining members, followed with Mr. Moore and the precious leather case. The ladies of the party also proceeded to the White House and joined the commissioners as they went before the President. Secretary Hay was with the President when the party arrived.

At the White House.

The first greeting was quite informal, the President coming to the private vestibule, which leads to the several drawing rooms. Judge Day was the first to grasp the President's hand. The President remarked on the vigorous health of the members. In the meantime, Mr. Moore and his precious bag had arrived at the outer corridor. Before going inside, Mr. Moore opened the case and from it took the treaty, in a morocco binding, about the size of a large encyclopedia. Then, joining Senator Gray, they proceeded together to the private vestibule, Mr. Moore carrying the treaty under his arm. All the members of the commission being assembled, the President led the way to the Blue Room. Besides the President, Secretary Hay and the commissioners, there were present Arthur W. Ferguson, who, as official interpreter had been through the arduous labors of the commission when the American and Spanish representatives were together, also Messrs. Hay and Gray, sons of the secretary and senator respectively, and several ladies of the party.

Proceedings Informal.

The President stood at the further end of the room while the party ranged around him. Taking the treaty, Judge Day addressed the President in the manner already alluded to. His remarks were quite informal and impromptu, brief, dignified and to the point, assuring the President of the satisfaction the commission felt that its labors were ended in such a way as to give promise of the welfare of the country. After the President's response, some time was spent in informal discussion of the trip and then all of the commissioners except Judge Day departed. The latter remained with the President for dinner, intending to leave with Mrs. Day at 7.30 for Canton, where they are anxious to see their family after the long absence. Mr. Reid returned to New York to-night. Senator Gray went to his home in Delaware, and Senators Davis and Frye remain at their homes in Washington.

Will be Sent to the Senate.

It was stated after the delivelry of the treaty to the President that it would not be made public at present, the usual courtesy to the Senate requiring that it should first be submitted to that body. In the meantime it will remain in the custody of the State Department for safe keeping, although copies of it will be in the hands of the President for such consideration as may be needed.

It is the impression that with the submission of the treaty to the President, the official existence of the body will have terminated. Should there be occasion, which is scarcely concoivable, for further negotiations of any of the subjects touched by the treaty, it is said that this will either be done by direct negotiation with the Madrid government, or through an entirely new commission.

It is expected that the treaty will be submitted to the United States almost immediately after the reassemblage of Congress.

LYNCHING IN INDIANA.

Marion Tyler Hanged for Attempting to Kill His Wife.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SCOTTSBURG, IND., December 24.—Marion Tyler was very quietly lynched here to-day for attempting to kill his wife several weeks ago.

This is the first hanging in the history of Scott county, either lawful or by lynchers.

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FILIPINO ENVOYS ARE IN WASHINGTON.

Followed the Peace Commissioners—Still Opposed to the Annexation of the Islands by the United States.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 24.—The Filipino envoys, F. Agoncillo and S. Lopez, following close on the heels of the peace commissioners, returned to this city to-day on the Etruria. They will remain here over Christmas and at the close of the holidays go to Washington, where they will await the arrival of Juan Luna, General Reigo De Beos and Dr. T. Josada, special commissioners sent by Aguinaldo to the American government. The new contingent of Filipinos is expected to reach Washington by way of San Francisco by January 2 next.

Agoncillo, when he got to quarantine, made inquiries about Judge Day and the other members of the American commission. He was told that they had arrived safely on the St. Louis and that the treaty of peace between the United States and Spain was doubtless in the hands of President McKinley.

"I have seen a Spanish copy of it," said Agoncillo, "and know all that concerns my country. The Spaniards gave away or sold what they did not possess. The agreement, as far as it concerns the archipelago, is practically void."

"Are you still opposed to the annexation of the Philippines to the United States?" he was asked.

"Certainly I am, and why shouldn't I be? Hasn't Admiral Dewey in his official communication to the United States said that the people of the Philippines are fitter for self-government than the Cubans, and that he knows both races well? Dewey's word ought to have some weight, and is it right to keep my countrymen back while you promise freedom to the people of Cuba?"

"Was your mission to Paris as fruitful as you expected?"

"I believe that it was fairly so. Our protest is a part of the record of the commission. It contains the information that Captain Wood, the commander of the Petrel, and Consuls Pratt in Singapore and Wildman in Hong Kong, and Williams in Cavite, implored the armed co-operation of Aguinaldo and other Philippine chiefs, offering to recognize the independence of the Filipino nation as soon as triumph was attained. Furthermore, appeals have been made to Senators Hale and Hoar to help save the people of the Philippines, who fought with the Americans as comrades for justice and humanity, from military subjugation. I think that the American people understand the situation now, and that they will see that justice is done the Filipinos when the expansion bubble has burst. I am awaiting further instructions as to how to proceed and they will arrive with the special commissioners I have mentioned.

WAYLAID BY ROBBERS.

Exciting Adventure of a Railroad Paymaster in Clinch County, Georgia.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MACON, GA., December 24—A special to the *Telegraph* from Valdosta, Ga., says: The Atlantic, Valdosta & Western Railroad has a camp near Halow, in Clinch county, about thirty miles from here. This was payday. The chief engineer, Mr. C. R. Carrrard, had come into town to get the money to pay off the hands. He secured about a thousand dollars. He rode out of town on horseback and his direction was toward the Okefenokee swamp. Although he was some distance from it he was not aware that anybody was near, when suddenly eight negroes rushed out of a thick clump of bushes and levelled a pistol at him. They demanded his money and showed that they intended to kill him if necessary.

As Mr. Carrard gazed into the muzzle of a deadly pistol, he felt that he was in a dangerous place. He replied, "Well, boys, you have the drop on me. I suppose there is no use of my resisting your demands." He felt in his pocket, as if to draw out a package, but instead of the money he brought forth his pistol, and it came out belching lead. The ringleader fell at the first shot and the next shot knocked out another. Two more shots were fired by Mr. Carrard as his horse dashed away. Mr. Carrard was shot at several times by the negroes, but they werefrustr ated.

EVADED DIRECT REPLY.

Senator Gray of the Peace Commission Questioned as to the Treaty.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, DEL., December 24.—U. S. Senator Gray, one of the peace commissioners, arrived home to-night. He said that while he did not know the sentiment of the people on this side of the Atlantic with reference to the treaty and had not consulted his colleagues in the Senate, it was his opinion that the treaty would be ratified without amendment. When asked if he was favorable to the conditions of the treaty he evaded a direct reply by saying; "Well, I signed it."

Mr. Gray declined to discuss the treaty, saying that it would not be diplomatic at this time.

FIGHTING THE SUGAR TRUST.

A Cut of One-Eighth of a Cent. Per Pound Announced.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Chicago has become the chief battle ground in the contest between the American Sugar Refining Company and the Arbuckles and the Coorscors, its powerful rivals.

Yesterday the price of "outside" sugar was cut one eighth cent below the trust price, reaching almost the lowest quotation on record. The cut was accompanied by developments that showed the existence of a little trust among the wholesale grocers to support the American Company and also that a new Richmond was in the field in the shape of a beet sugar supply. The American Company was not ready to meet its rivals' prices, but it is expected to do so to-day.

THE POTTERY TRUST.

Will Take Possession of All the Plants of the Combine Early Next Month.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

EAST LIVERPOOL, O., Dec. 24.—Col. Jno. N. Taylor, the reputed head of the Pottery Trust, who arrived here to-night, stated the trust would take possession of all its plants between January 1st and 10th. The American China Company, of Toronto; the Akron China Company, and the Goodwin Pottery, of this city, will be absorbed by the trust. The Harker, Laughlin and United States pottery companies of this city have also joined the combined, leaving only about four concerns on the outside.

PREPARING FOR THE EVACUATION.

United States Troops Will Parade Through the City of Havana January First.

WILL MAKE A GREAT DISPLAY.

More Troops Arriving—Military Postoffice Overloaded—Recommendations for Policing the City—Gen. Lee Feeding Suffering Cubans.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, December 24.—A parade of the United States troops through the city will take place on January 1st, the date fixed for the turning over of the control of the island to the United States. The American evacuation commission will direct Major General Lee to make disposition of the eight regiments here, numbering eight hundred men each, including the arrivals of to-day, the Sixth Missouri regiment and a battalion of the Tenth regulars.

Altogether, it is expected that a great display will be made. Military men are divided in opinion as to the propriety of the troops parading. The officials in favor of the project aver that a good moral effect would be produced on the city by showing the quality of the American forces, while those who oppose it say that as this is not a conquered city there exists no reason for marching the soldiers through it, as though it were.

The Forty-ninth Ohio regiment pitched its tents to-day at Quemados camp in two hours, making better time than any regiment in the camp.

Mrs. Moulton, wife of Col. Moulton of the Second Illinois regiment, has sent to her husband's command 1,200 oranges and 1,200 lemons as a part of their Christmas dinner.

The military postoffice has been overloaded all the week with parcels for the soldiers.

Gen. Lee and his staff and most of the Americans in the city are attending a reception to-night at the new United States Club.

General Ludlow, military governor of Havana, has recommended to Major General Lee, governor of the province of Havana, that six army officers be appointed to assist Col. Moulton as inspectors of police. The names of the officers chosen for these positions have not been announced. They will be relieved from all other duties and will be paid a salary of $1,800 a year. The police plan provides for a deputy chief, at a salary of $2,000; twelve captains, at $1,380 each; twelve lieutenants, at $1,080 each; forty-eight sergeants at $900 each, and eight hundred and forty patrolmen, each of whom will receive $600 salary.

A committee of Cubans this morning called on Gen. Wade, the president of the American evacuation commission, and inquired if the commissioners would object to Cuban troops coming to Vedado to-day. Gen. Wade politely told the Cubans to keep the troops out of the city.

Relieving Suffering Cubans.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The Secretary of War has received the following cablegram from Maj. Gen. Lee:

"*Havana, Dec. 24.*—Seven thousand rations have been sent to Guines and about 10,000 to other points in Havana province. Rations are also being distributed in the city of Havana, including two thousand cans of condensed milk to sick and debilitated women and children."

SWORD FOR GEN. BOYNTON.

A Thousand Dollar Gold and Silver Affair to be Presented.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CINCINNATI, OHIO, December 24.—A thousand dollar gold and silver mounted sword made in this city was sent by express from here to Chattanooga to-day to be presented to General H. V. Boynton, as the Christmas gift of citizens of that city to that officer in tetimony of their high appreciation of his late services at Camp Thomas on the Chickamauga battlefield.

OUR NAVAL HEROES.

Arrival of Lieuts. Anderson and Blue With Their Vessels at Norfolk.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., Dec. 24.—The captured Spanish gunboats Alvarado and Sandoval arrived here to-day from Guantanamo, Cuba, under the command of Lieutenants Anderson and Blue, North Carolina's naval heroes. They will be repaired and refitted at the Norfolk navy yard.

The weekly statement of the banks shows the following changes: Surplus reserve, increased $2,645,675; loans, increased $3,657,300; specie, increased $4,640,000; legal tenders, increased $15,000; deposits, increased $8,039,700; circulation, decreased $105,400. The banks now hold $19,691,070 in excess of the requirements of the 25 per cent. rule.

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COTTON MILLS SHUT DOWN.

Augusta and Enterprise Factories in Georgia Closed Indefinitely—3,000 Hands Thrown Out.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

AUGUSTA, December 24.—The Augusta and Enterprise cotton factories of this city closed down indefinitely this afternoon, adding about three thousand more to the unemployed of the city. Five weeks ago the Southern Manufacturers' Association reduced the wages of the mill operatives. Those here of the King and Sibley mills and Langley and Bath, in South Carolina, refused to accept the cut. The employes of the Augusta and Enterprise returned to work at the reduced scale. Because of an agreement entered into by the Southern Manufacturers' Association, the first named mills were compelled to close down in order to force the striking operatives in the other mills to return to work.

There are in the neighborhood of six thousand people in and around this city out of employment because of the reduction and shutting down of the mills.

THE FRENCH REPUBLIC.

Rumors of a Military Coup Planned in Paris for Wednesday Next—The Dreyfus Case.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, December 25.—The Paris correspondent of the *Weekly Sun* asserts that he has knowledge of a military *coup* planned for Wednesday next, but does not give the names of those involved or details of the plot.

The Sunday *News'* special correspondent in Paris hints at similar knowledge, adding that the Court of Cassation on Thursday will give judgment against Dreyfus. The judges, the correspondent avers, yielding to the government's plan of *raison d'etat*, do not dare to pronounce a decision which would result in the downfall of the republic.

EVACUATION OF CUBA

Cubans in Havana Preparing For a Celebation on January Second.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, Dec. 24—The patriotic committees are preparing to hold on Jan. 2nd a processionn which will appear with floats with allegorical designs, emblems, banners and bands of music. A festival is announced to be held the same day, the proceeds to be devoted to the purchase of shoes and clothing for the Cuban soldiers coming into the city.

TWENTIETH INFANTRY.

Two Hundred of the Men Discharged Will Re-enlist.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LEAVENWORTH, KS., Dec. 24.—Two hundred soldiers who enlisted for two years, or during the war with Spain, were discharged from the Twentieth infantry here to-day and paid off. Most of them will re-enlist for the Manila trip. The regiment, which has been ordered to the Philippines, expects to leave here for San Francisco on January 10th.

REDUCES THE BUDGET.

Estimates of the Military Governor of Porto Rico for Next Year.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

SAN JUAN DE PORTO RICO, Dec. 24.—Gen. Guy V. Henry, the military governor of Porto Rico, reduces the budget for next year from 4,000,000 pesos as under the Spanish regime to 1,700,000 pesos. He asks for authority to apply the custom house revenue to the improvement of roads and the cleaning of cities.

WARM WIRELETS.

Two of the largest of the transports, the Minnesota and Manitoba, are expected at Charleston, S. C., Monday, and at least 2,500 men will likely be on hand to sail for Cuba.

The condition of Senor Sagasta, the Spanish premier, was somewhat better yesterday and the attending dnd the attending doctors are now hopeful of his recovery.

General Arolas, the Spanish military governor of Havana, delivered over his command yesterday and sails for Spain to-day. The transports Resolute and Obdam have arrived there.

The second trial of James Penrose Carter for killing Chas. F. Moore, Richmond, Va., was brought to a close by the jury failing to agree, and being discharged. The case excited unusual interest.

In official circles in Berlin it is said that there is no truth in the report that Germany has proposed to buy the island of Fernando Po, the Spanish penal settlement in the bight of Biafra, Western Africa.

Twelve acres, containing 11,000,000 feet of lumber, a planing mill, eight sheds and a large quantity of machinery, at Burlington, Va., were swept by fire yesterday, causing a loss estimated at a quarter of a million dollars.

Dr. John B. Hamilton, ex-Surgeon General of the United States Marine Hospital Service, died in Elgin, Ill., last night. For over a year he has been superintendent of the State asylum for the insane at Elgin.

Ambassador Hitchcock, at St. Petersburg, cables that he has been officially notified that a contract for 80,000 tons of rails for the Eastern Chinese railroad has been awarded to the Pennsylvania and Maryland Company.

The Secretary of the Treasury having submitted to the attorney general the question of the taxability of beer under the war revenue act, it is understood that in the forthcoming opinion it will be held that beer in the hands of retailers on the date the act went into effect is not subject to the increased tax.

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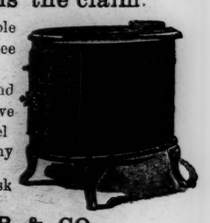

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